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April 10, 2001

Honorable Philip N. Asprodites
Office of Conservation
P. O. Box 94275
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

RE: Application Notice
S-2 Sand, Reservoir A
S-3 Sand, Reservoir A
SOUTH PASS BLOCK 6 FIELD
Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

Ridgelake Energy, Inc. ("Applicant") hereby makes application to the Commissioner of Conservation for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the S-2 Sand, Reservoir A, and the S-3 Sand, Reservoir A, in the South Pass Block 6 Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

1. To dissolve S-2 RA SUA, created by Office of Conservation Order No. 444-C, effective July 19, 1983, and S-3 RA SUA, created by Office of Conservation Order No. 444-B, effective June 16, 1981.

2. To find that S-2 RA SUA and S-3 RA SUA have ceased to produce, have no further utility and should therefore be dissolved.

3. To discuss any other matters that may be pertinent to this application.

The S-2 Sand, Reservoir A, in the South Pass Block 6 Field, was fully defined by Office of Conservation Order No. 444-C, effective July 19, 1983.

The S-3 Sand, Reservoir A, in the South Pass Block 6 Field, was fully defined by Office of Conservation Order No. 444-B, effective June 16, 1981.

The Commissioner of Conservation has waived the Pre-Application Notice provision provided in Rule 3 of the Revised Rules of Procedure, and granted permission to file this application because there is no indication of opposition from any person to whom the pre-application must be sent.

The Applicant will provide for posting a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing and a copy of the enclosed plats at a prominent place in the area affected by this application and will cause the publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of the South Pass Block 6 Field. Furthermore, a copy of the Legal Notice will be mailed to all

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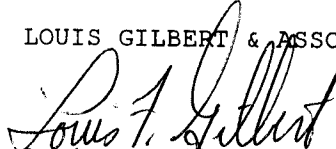
Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure.

There is attached hereto and made a part hereof, plats outlining the units to be dissolved and a list of names and addresses of the Interested Parties, Interested Owners and Represented Parties to whom this notice is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of Parties is being furnished ONLY to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. The aforementioned list is available upon request to any Interested Party. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Parties, Interested Owners and Represented Parties as required by the Revised Rules of Procedure.

There is enclosed herewith on behalf of the Applicant a check made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

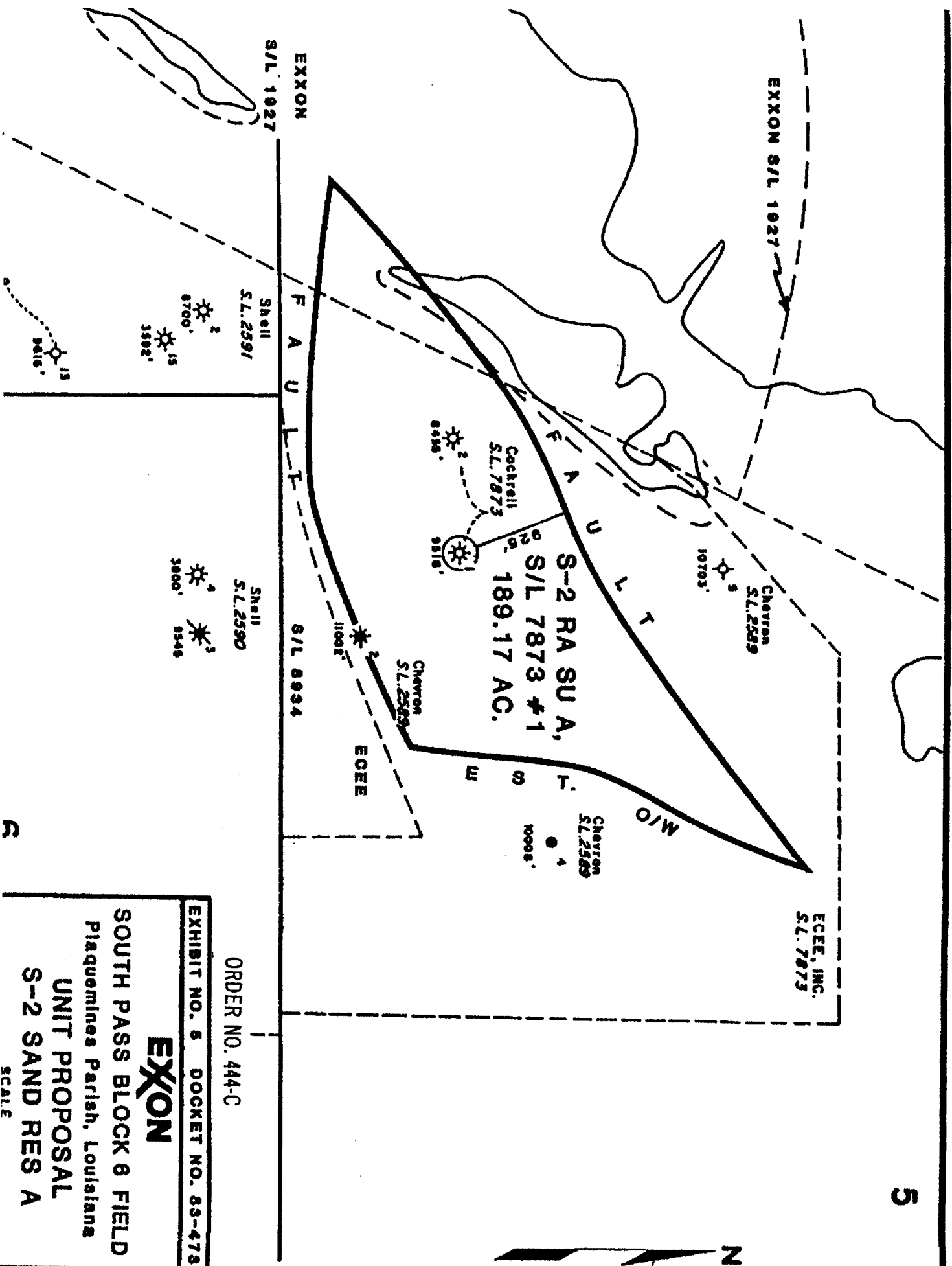
Very truly yours,

LOUIS GILBERT & ASSOCIATES, INC.


Louis F. Gilbert

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson
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P.O. Box 51285, OCS
Lafayette, Louisiana 70505 (w/enclosures)

Interested Parties, Interested Owners
and Represented Parties (w/plats)



ORDER NO. 444-C

EXHIBIT NO. 5 DOCKET NO. 83-473

EXXON

SOUTH PASS BLOCK 8 FIELD
Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana
UNIT PROPOSAL
S-2 SAND RES A

SCALE

